

Charge, North Central River Forecast Center, National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Dale Frink, North Dakota State Engineer, Bismarck, on behalf of the North Dakota Water Commission; Mayor Fred Bott, Devils Lake, North Dakota; and Mayor Dennis Walaker, Fargo, North Dakota.

FINANCIAL AND HOUSING MARKETS

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the crises in financial and housing markets, after receiving testimony from Timothy F. Geithner, Secretary of the Treasury.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

Also, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Energy: Senators Cantwell (Chair), Dorgan, Wyden, Landrieu, Menendez, Sanders, Bayh, Stabenow, Udall (CO), Shaheen, Risch, Burr, Barrasso, Brownback, Bennett, Bunning, Sessions, and Corker.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests: Senators Wyden (Chair), Johnson, Landrieu, Cantwell, Menendez, Lincoln, Udall (CO), Shaheen, Barrasso, Risch, McCain, Bennett, Sessions, and Corker.

Subcommittee on National Parks: Senators Udall (CO) (Chair), Dorgan, Landrieu, Menendez, Lincoln, Sanders, Bayh, Stabenow, Burr, Barrasso, Brownback, McCain, Bunning, and Corker.

Subcommittee on Water and Power: Senators Stabenow (Chair), Dorgan, Johnson, Cantwell, Lincoln, Sanders, Bayh, Shaheen, Brownback, Risch, McCain, Bennett, Bunning, and Sessions.

GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRISIS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine foreign policy implications of the global economic crisis, after receiving testimony from Niall Ferguson, Harvard Business School, Cambridge, Massachusetts; and David Gordon, The Eurasia Group, Desmond Lachman, American Enterprise Institute, Sebastian Mallaby, Council on Foreign Relations, and Douglas Rediker, The New America Foundation, all of Washington, DC.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 160, to provide the District of Columbia a voting seat and the State of Utah an additional seat in

the House of Representatives, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 303, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999;

S. 69, to establish a fact-finding Commission to extend the study of a prior Commission to investigate and determine facts and circumstances surrounding the relocation, internment, and deportation to Axis countries of Latin Americans of Japanese descent from December 1941 through February 1948, and the impact of those actions by the United States, and to recommend appropriate remedies; and

S. 234, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2105 East Cook Street in Springfield, Illinois, as the "Colonel John H. Wilson, Jr. Post Office Building".

Committee ordered favorably reported an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee.

Also, committee adopted its rules of procedure for the 111th Congress and announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations: Senators Levin (Chair), Carper, Pryor, McCaskill, Tester, Bennett, Coburn, Collins, McCain, and Ensign.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia: Senators Akaka (Chair), Levin, Landrieu, Burr, Bennett, Voinovich, and Graham.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security: Senators Carper (Chair), Levin, Akaka, Pryor, McCaskill, Burr, McCain, Coburn, Voinovich, and Graham.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on State, Local, and Private Sector Preparedness and Integration: Senators Pryor (Chair), Akaka, Landrieu, Tester, Bennett, Ensign, Voinovich, and Graham.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery: Senators Landrieu (Chair), McCaskill, Burr, and Graham.

Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight:* Senators McCaskill (Chair), Levin, Carper, Pryor, Tester, Coburn, and McCain.

*The Ranking Member for the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight has not been appointed, pending designation of another Republican member to the committee. In the interim, Senator Collins will serve as the ex-officio ranking member of the subcommittee.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items: